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Ms. Anne Marie Brady
Reports Analyst
Reports Analysis Division
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20463
Re: Menendez for Congress
FEC Identification Number C00264564

Dear Ms. Brady:

This is in response to your letter dated August 20, 2002 concerning the Amended 12-Day Pre-Primary Report (4/1/2002-5/15-/2002) of the above-referenced Committee.

You have asked about a number of contributions that Menendez for Congress (the "Committee") received that appear to be excessive. As it noted on its original reports, the Committee had requested redesignations or reattributions from the majority of the donors on your list. The Committee has now received the appropriate redesignations or reattributions for the donors in question, and those redesignations and reattributions have been reported on subsequent reports. The Committee has also refunded the excess portion of contributions from some of the donors you list.

Please note that the receipt on your list from David Myers was a contribution from Second Home, Union City LLC that was attributed to Mr. Myers as a member of the limited liability company ("LLC"). The \$3,000 contribution was received from the LLC in the April quarterly reporting period. The Committee refunded \$2,500 to the LLC in the same reporting period, thereby making the total contribution to the Committee only \$500. In the pre-primary reporting period, the LLC redesignated the remaining \$500 of its contribution to the general election. The Committee reported the redesignation for both the LLC and for Mr. Myers on the pre-primary report.

Regarding the contribution from Verizon Wireless/Verizon Communications, Inc. PAC (the "PAC"), the donor informed the Committee in writing that it was a multicandidate committee at the time it made the \$2,000 contribution. The Committee contacted the donor and was told again that the PAC is a qualified multicandidate committee. The PAC separately called its Reports Analyst, who told them their status was incorrectly coded in some of the Federal Election Commission databases and that the problem would be fixed immediately.

We hope that this information adequately answers your questions. Please direct any questions on the above information to the undersigned, as the Committee's general counsel, at (202) 434-1625.

Very truly yours,

Marc E. Elias
Counsel to Menendez for Congress
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